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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003-04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 133

Introduced by Assembly Member Bogh

January 16, 2003

An act to add Section 20441.5 Sections 20441.5 and 22013.82 to the Government Code, relating to public employees' retirement, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 133, as amended, Bogh. Public employees' retirement: Riverside County deputy coroners.

Under the Public Employees' Retirement Law, employees of contracting agencies classified as local safety members are entitled to generally higher benefits, and subject to higher contribution rates, than those employees classified as local miscellaneous members. County peace officers, as defined, are included within the local safety member classification. Member contributions are deposited in the Public Employees' Retirement Fund, a continuously appropriated fund. Existing law also defines certain public officers as a "policeman" for purposes of excluding them from coverage under Social Security.

This bill would authorize Riverside County to include deputy coroners within the definition definitions of county peace—officers officer and policeman and to thereby include them within the local safety member classification and exclude them from coverage under Social Security. The bill would make an appropriation by increasing the amount of employee contributions to the Public Employees' Retirement Fund.

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Vote: majority. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 20441.5 is added to the Government 2 Code, to read:
- 3 20441.5. (a) "County peace officer" shall also include any 4 person employed as a deputy coroner who is a peace officer, as 5 defined in subdivision (c) of Section 830.35 of the Penal Code.
- 6 (b) This section may not apply to any contracting agency nor 7 to the employees of a contracting agency until the agency elects to 8 be subject to this section by amendment to its contract with the 9 board pursuant to Section 20474, or by express provision in its contract with the board.
- 11 (c) This section shall only be applicable in Riverside County.
 12 SEC. 2. Section 22013.82 is added to the Government Code,
 13 to read:
- 22013.82. "Policeman" as used in this part, also includes persons employed in positions subject to Section 20441.5 for the purposes of Section 218(d)(5)(A) of the Social Security Act (42)
- 17 U.S.C. Sec. 418(d)(5)(A).